

REMARKS

The combination of infrared scanning and microwave motion detection is an innovative approach to termite detection. Used together, these two technologies allow for a meticulous process of elimination, logically narrowing down the range of possibilities step by step. Each step – for example, infrared detection of moisture-detects and identifies a particular problem, thus simultaneously eliminating certain other possibilities. Each step has its limitations, but taken as a whole, each subsequent step compensates for the previous step's inadequacies. Independent claim 1 stand rejected as being obvious in view of the James article dated 8/1/02 and Donsky, US Patent Publication 2003/0146840. Applicant has submitted a 131 declaration to show that the presently claimed invention was made prior to the publication date of the James article and the filing of the Donsky Patent Publication.

Applicant respectfully suggests that the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Applicant has provided a further citation to related pending patent applications.
Applicant offers to file a terminal disclaimer over any of these related cases.

Respectfully Submitted,

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